

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Heid and Livak

Serial No.: To be assigned

Filed: March 15, 2002 (herewith)

For: **EXTERNAL CONTROL REAGENTS FOR
NUCLEIC ACID AMPLIFICATION**

) Group Art Unit: 1656

) Examiner: Tung, J.

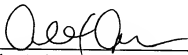
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Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

I, Alex Andrus, declare and affirm as follows:

1. I am an agent for the applicant.
2. In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.821(f), I hereby state that the Sequence Listing information recorded in computer readable form in parent application US Serial No. 09/645,959 is identical to the written sequence listing submitted herewith.
3. In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.821(g), I hereby state that this submission does not include new matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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**REQUEST TO USE THE COMPUTER READABLE FORM (CRF) OF THE
 SEQUENCE LISTING FROM THE PARENT APPLICATION**

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Sir:

The Sequence Listing in the present application is identical to that filed in parent application serial no. 09/645,959 filed August 24, 2000. In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.821(e), Applicants request that the compliant computer-readable form of the Sequence Listing that was submitted in parent application no. 09/645,959 on August 24, 2000 be used as the computer-readable form for the present application. It is understood that the Patent and Trademark Office will make the necessary change in application number and filing date for the computer-readable form that will be used for the present application. The paper copy of the Sequence Listing enclosed herewith is identical to the computer readable copy filed in the parent application.

No fees are believed due in connection with this response and the enclosed papers. However, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any necessary fee to Deposit Account No. 01-2213. Any deficiency or overpayment should be charged or credited to this deposit account.

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